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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND
REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In response to the Non-Final Office Action dated July 23, 2009, the period of response to which extending through October 23, 2009, please amend the above identified application as follows: